RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The Superintendent.

MR. K. MAHOMED (*Alwaye*): May I know how long is it that this gentleman has been appointed as the Superintendent?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): That information is available in the Civil List. I have not got a copy of it now.

MR K. MAHOMED (*Alwaye*) Is any qualification fixed for the post of the Superintendent of the Government Press?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) The qualification required is shown in the Public Service Notification. Beyond that, no qualification has been prescribed.

MR K. MAHOMED (*Alwaye*) May I know the qualification of the present Superintendent?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I claim notice.

MR K. MAHOMED (*Alwaye*) May I know whether Government had invited applications and interviewed the applicants at any time?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): For what?

MR. K. MAHOMED (*Alwaye*): For appointment as Superintendent?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I cannot say that now. The appointment was made many years ago.

Bridge at the Muttar Ferry.

94. ***MR. K. MAHOMED** (*Alwaye*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have received any report from the Executive Engineer, Alwaye, in order to construct a bridge at the Muttar ferry (between Edapally and Manjummal);

(*b*) if so, the nature of the report submitted by the Executive Engineer, Alwaye; and

(*c*) the action taken by them on that report?

MR. G. B E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*): (*a*) No.

(*b*) and (*c*) In view of the answer to part (*a*), these do not arise.

MR. K. MAHOMED (*Alwaye*): May I know whether the Chief Engineer has received any representation from the people of the locality?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads Buildings and Irrigation*): Yes.

MR. K. MAHOMED (*Alwaye*): May I know what action has been taken by the Government on the representation made by the people?

MR. G. B E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*) The fact of the matter is this. The question of construction of that bridge can only be considered when the second

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section of the Parur-Edapally road is taken up; and an estimate for that has been prepared by the Sub-Division Officer; and out of Rs. 30,000 Rs. 20,000, is for land compensation.

MR. K. MAHOMED (*Alwaye*): May I know when this work will be completed?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*): A question of future action.

MR. K. MAHOMED (*Alwaye*): May I know whether the Chief Engineer has visited the place in his Alwaye circuit at any time?

MR. G. B E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*): I cannot say that for certain.

MR. K. MAHOMED (*Alwaye*): Will he be pleased to visit the place and know the conditions there?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*): If circumstances are favourable.

MR. K. MAHOMED (*Alwaye*): In the near future?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*): That again is a question of future action.

Pendency of suits in District Courts.

95. *MR. N. E. VARUGHESE (*Tiruvalla I*) Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of original suits in the several District Courts pending disposal for more than 3, 4 and 5 years; and

(*b*) the number of such cases pending for more than 5 years?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) and (*b*) A †statement giving the required information is laid on the table.

Pendency of suits in Munsiffs' Courts.

96. *MR. N. E. VARUGHESE (*Tiruvalla I*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of civil suits pending in the State for more than 2, 3, 4 and 5 years; and

(*b*) the number of such suits pending for more than 5 years?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) & (*b*) A ‡statement furnishing the information is laid on the table.

Civil Suits pending for more than 3 years.

97. *MR. N. E. VARUGHESE (*Tiruvalla I*) Will the Government be pleased to state the names of the Munsiffs' Courts having civil suits pending for more than 3 years?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): A §list showing the names of the Munsiffs' Courts in which civil suits are pending for more than three years at the close of 1110 M. E. is laid on the table.

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†*Vide* Appendix II.
‡*Vide* Appendix III.
§*Vide* Appendix IV.

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